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Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you had a wonderful Christmas break and that your child is feeling refreshed and ready for the exciting learning ahead this spring term. This term we will be continuing to focus our efforts on ensuring your child has opportunities to continue to practice, apply and embed their learning and skills.

In English, the children will be studying *The Selfish Giant* by Oscar Wilde. This classic story will provide opportunities to explore themes such as kindness, compassion, and transformation. Pupils will engage in reading comprehension activities, discussions about the moral lessons within the text, and creative writing tasks inspired by the story. They will also practise developing their vocabulary and grammar skills through written responses and imaginative work.

In Mathematics, our focus will begin with decimals, fractions, and percentages. The children will learn how these concepts are connected and how they can be applied in everyday contexts such as money and measurement. As the term progresses, we will move on to studying area and perimeter, giving pupils the chance to apply their mathematical reasoning to real-world problems and develop their confidence in geometry.

In Science, our topic will be Inheritance and Evolution. Pupils will investigate how characteristics are passed down through generations, explore the concept of adaptation, and learn about the work of scientists such as Charles Darwin. They will consider how living things have changed over time and how evidence from fossils helps us to understand the history of life on Earth.

In Geography, the children will be learning about different energy sources. This will include studying renewable and non-renewable forms of energy, understanding how energy is produced and consumed, and considering the environmental impact of different choices. Pupils will be encouraged to think critically about sustainability and the role of energy in shaping our future.

In PSHE, our unit will focus on puberty and the changing body. This is an important part of the Year 6 curriculum, and lessons will help pupils to understand the physical and emotional changes they will experience as they grow. The sessions will be delivered sensitively, with opportunities for children to ask questions and develop confidence in discussing these topics. Our PE lessons will take place every Friday. Please ensure that your child has the correct kit in school each week so they can take part fully in physical activities.

We would also like to remind you of the importance of regular reading at home and continued practice of times tables, as these greatly support your child's progress across the curriculum. Homework will continue to be set weekly to best support your child on the journey to becoming secondary school ready. We are looking forward to a busy and rewarding term full of learning, growth, and new experiences. Thank you for your continued support.

Best wishes,

Miss Murphy, Year 6 Teacher